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Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope that this letter finds you well.

We fully understand that for many parents and carers the closure of QAC has made life difficult during what we know are extraordinarily challenging times. We are acutely aware of this and thank you for all the support you have provided in continuing the learning from home and engaging with us using more remote and technological ways.

As previously advised back in March, we are writing out to all parents and carers to detail the provision for QAC students after Easter. You may have already seen our Principal's social media message, if you haven't, please do take a look and share it with your young person, we have shared the links at the end of the letter. In Bev's message she outlines the reasons why we cannot open our college for all our students, as we would like. Understandably, the safety of our students, their families, our staff and our community has to be our number one priority.

As you will have noted, last night the government reinforced the need for the nation to 'Stay at Home' for a further three weeks.

### Home Learning with QAC

QAC will continue to ensure that learning is delivered in your home. Staff have been busy before the Easter break collating further learning packs. If students have finished the work set or need it in a different format please do make sure that you make contact with the class tutor and we can organise for this to happen. Our therapies have all continued in one way or another too and there are plans for some live Yoga activities. Staff will continue to make contact via email, telephone or zoom calls where appropriate.

### Key Workers provision at QAC

From 27th April QAC will be able to offer some limited on site provision. This is only available to our students if your work is critical to the COVID-19 response, or you work in one of the critical sectors, **and you cannot keep your young person safe at home.**

In the first instance, in order to apply for one of the limited spaces, key workers should confirm with their employer that their **specific role** is necessary for the continuation of this essential public service. QAC will require a letter to this effect and this should be emailed to Jan Gormley ([jgormley@qac.ac.uk](mailto:jgormley@qac.ac.uk)) by Tuesday 21st April 2020. I will then make contact with you to discuss your planned rota for the week beginning 27th April.

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We understand that there will be so many students who are disappointed not to be back to college, and we will continue to support them and their understanding about why we have had to make these decisions. There is also lots of supportive material on our website and please contact our tutor teams if you need any further support.

Wishing you well during these times, and please contact me if you require clarification on any points raised in the letter.

Best Wishes

Jan Gormley  
Deputy Principal - Queen Alexandra College

Link for Bev Jessop Principal and Chief Executive's social media message

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XNUGo1tfAJw>

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